

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the third paragraph on page 2 as follows:

The transportation means discussed above is most often used for transporting containers in short, controlled and closed loops like from a local bakery to a nearby supermarket. Such containers may be foldable such as the ones known from US 6,029,840. It is not possible to use this type of transport system for a more open type of transport of security reasons since it is very easy to tamper with this type of package. This is a problem that needs to be solved.

Please amend the last paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 as follows:

According to the present invention a transport assembly which meets the requirement for a secure transport has been achieved. Accordingly, the invention relates to a transport assembly comprising a transportation means which comprises a pallet-like carrying structure. The pallet like carrying structure is provided with two long sides, two short sides, four corners, an upper surface and a lower surface. The carrying structure is also provided with wheels at each of the four corners of which at least two of the wheels possible are of the swivel castor wheel type. The upper surface is furthermore provided with receiving means which are intended to receive the wheels of a second transportation means stacked on top of a first transportation means so that a number of such transportation means may be stacked, and fixed horizontally, one on top of the other. Thus, the upper surface is provided with two narrow long side channels arranged parallel to the long sides and which are stretching from one short side to the other. The long side channels are placed at a distance from each other which is mainly equal to the distance between the wheels, as seen from a short side. The transportation means may be placed on top of the other by rolling them into

engagement with each other in a lengthwise direction. The invention is characterized in that the transport assembly further comprises a plurality of containers stacked on top of the transportation means and a lid applied on top of the stack of containers. The containers are of a type known from U.S. 6,029,840.

Please amend the first paragraph on page 5 as follows:

Referring now, again, to figure 1, The transport assembly 10 further comprises a plurality of containers 4 stacked on top of the transportation means 1 and a lid 5 applied on top of the stack of containers 4. Such containers 4 are known from U.S. 6,029,840. These containers 4 suitably has a horizontal dimension, a so-called foot-print, which is a multiple of the horizontal area of the transportation means 1. The foot-print area of the containers 4 may accordingly be 1/1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/8 etc. of the base area of the transportation means 1. In one example the dimension of the transportation means 1 is 600 x 800 mm and the base dimension of the containers most commonly used hereon are 600 x 400 mm and 400 x 300 mm. The stack of containers 4 and the lid 5 is secured to the transportation means 1 by means of a tensional strap 6. The transport assembly 10 is secured from unauthorized tampering by means of providing the tensional strap 6 with a seal. The tensional strap 6 comprises a strap and a tensioning device 61. The tensioning device 61 is integrated in the transportation means 2. In order to reduce transport volume when shipping the transport assembly 10 empty the containers 4 are provided with a base and four foldable side walls so that they may be collapsed when having no content. It will in this way be possible to ship a plurality of containers 4 in a collapsed state, a plurality of lids 5 and possibly a plurality of transportation means 1 which are assembled as a unit kept together by means of the tensional strap 6 during empty return transport of said containers 4. The transport assembly 10 may alternatively be secured from unauthorized tampering by means of providing the transportation means 1, the containers 4 and the lid 5 with one or

more seals.

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 5 and 6 as follows:

The lid 5 is provided with receiving means which are intended to receive the wheels 3 of a second transportation means 1 of a second transport assembly 10 stacked on top of a first transportation means 1 so that a plurality of such transport assemblies 10 may be stacked, and fixated horizontally, one on top of the other. The upper surface 54 of the lid 5 is provided with two parallel narrow long side channels 55 of the lid 5 stretching from one short side of the lid to the other. The long side channels 55 of the lid 5 is placed at a distance from each other which is mainly equal to the distance between the wheels 3, as seen from a short side 22. The transportation means 1 may hereby be placed on top of the lid 5 by rolling it into engagement with the lid 5 in a lengthways direction. The long side channels 55 of the lid 5 are provided with channel stoppers 55" of the lid 5 placed at a distance from each of the short side ends of the long side channels 55 of the lid 5. This distance is adapted to the radius of the wheels 3 so that a wheel 3 is prevented from moving inwards in. the long side channel 55 of the lid 5. Inner channel stoppers 55" of the lid 5 are placed at a position corresponding to the vertical swiveling axis of the swivel castor wheels 3'. The lid 5 is provided with protrusions 56 intended to interact with upper side wall edges of the containers 4. This interaction resulting in stabilizing a stack of containers. This stabilizing effect is specially noted when the base area of the containers 2 are $\frac{1}{4}$, the area of the transportation means 2, meaning that the stack of containers consist of four towers of containers 4 arranged close together. The lid 5 will here keep the containers 4 together.